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*It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to
sing praises unto thy name, O most High.*

Psalm 92:1

THE ANNUAL MEETING

Ohio Association of Regular Baptist Churches

The Twenty-Ninth Annual Meeting of Ohio Association was held in the Memorial Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio, October 15-18, inclusive, and was attended by huge crowds.

The large auditorium was well filled on Monday evening, and at all other times; however, the evening audiences of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday exceeded capacity. Chairs were placed in all isles and some were standing at these services, and on Wednesday evening many were seen leaving the foyer after noting that all seating space was occupied.

Everything was in readiness for the guests and home assignments were handled with maximum efficiency.

The church is located at a junction of busy highways, near the downtown business district and good restaurants had been alerted by the local committee and table service was very satisfactory. Parking was somewhat restricted in the immediate vicinity of the church, but nearby parking lots met all needs.

Many availed themselves of shopping advantages, and some visited the state buildings and institutions between sessions. Columbus is always an attractive site for conventions and the local distinctives challenged many to bridge the hindrances and be among those present.

The Sessions

Of course, all entries at the annual meeting center in the preaching sessions, and from beginning to end this part of the program exceeded all expectations.

On Monday evening Chairman Allan E. Lewis introduced Pastor C. C. Clawson, who extended a cordial welcome to the visitors, this being followed by an illustrated lecture on the Holy Land by Rev. Gerald Smelser, Superintendent of the Cleveland Hebrew Mission. This was an innovation in relation to standard procedure and proved to be a much-appreciated entry.

On Tuesday morning Rev. Donald H. Beightol was in charge of the "Get Acquainted" period and



*Choir of Memorial Baptist Church
Elisabeth Clawson, directing*

conducted a busy session: in fact, the time set aside was all too short for most of the delegates and visitors. Pastor Beightol is located at Calvary Baptist Church, Norwalk and his active interest in Camp Patmos and all affairs of the fellowship, has brought him into merited favor with the people. Also on Tuesday, Rev. John Strong presented a timely Bible message, Rev. T. Fred Hussey conducted an impressive prayer session, and Rev. Glenn H. Davis delivered a thought-inspiring exposition of a passage of Scripture recorded in the Book of the Revelation. A fine sermon was presented by Rev. Charles McKinney, this being followed by the Educational Hour. In the evening, Rev. Hall Dautel of Portsmouth spoke on "The Wagons Of The King"—a timely message, well delivered.

On Wednesday, Rev. John H. Stoll delivered an enlightening exposition on "The Kingdom of God, and The Kingdom of Heaven." This was followed by a prayer period conducted by Rev. Raymond W. Howell of Struthers, then came the MISSIONARY HOUR conducted by Rev. John G. Balyo, who presented workers serving under The Association of Baptists For World Evangelism, and Mid-Missions.

Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Lewis conducted the "Associational Hour," which is the general business session, this being followed by the Sunday School Work Shop. In the evening, Rev. Nile Fisher of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Dayton, thrilled his audience with a mes-

sage under the theme—"The Travail of His Soul." A deeply spiritual, very-much-worthwhile message.

Thursday, the final day of the sessions came all too soon for the delegates and visitors. Rev. Glenn Greenwood of the Blessed Hope Baptist Church, Springfield presented a fine message which is reproduced in this magazine. Again, Rev. John Balyo was in charge of a period, presenting the representatives of Baptist Christian Missions, Fellowship of Baptists For Home Missions, and Hiawatha Land Independent Baptist Missions. All of these missionary sessions were intensely interesting, this period followed by the Women's Missionary Hour and the Men's Forum. In the evening the dynamic pastor of the First Baptist Church, Blanchester—the Rev. David G. Canine, presented an evangelistic message under the subject: "How To Be A Strong, Sound, Sensible Saint." Several in the audience raised their hands for prayer.

The messages of the annual meeting seemed to cover a wide range of Scripture Truth and left nothing to be desired. The presence of the Holy Spirit was evident throughout the sessions, and many were seen taking notes for the unfortunate "home folk" who were not in position to check in at Columbus.

The Men's Forum

The Forum was conducted by Rev. William Howard Green under the subject "Youth Work In Our Churches." About ninety men were present and many presented ideas which were profitable. The Forum was an event of Thursday afternoon.

Educational Hour

On Tuesday afternoon Chairman Lewis introduced Rev. James T. Jeremiah and Rev. Edward Hakes, presidents of Cedarville College and Grand Rapids Theological Seminary, respectively.

The people of Ohio Association have an ever-increasing interest in these schools, where many of the local young people are enrolled as students. The schools named are

serving hand in hand, with the maximum in cooperation, one being primarily a Liberal Arts College, the other basically a school of theology. The two popular presidents made a highly favorable impression upon the delegates, in behalf of their institutions.

New Churches

Under recommendation of the Council of Ten, the delegates voted into the fellowship five properly constituted Regular Baptist Churches at the Monday evening session, each receiving the right hand of fellowship at the Tuesday morning session. The list follows:

1. Calvary Baptist Church, Man-
nington, W. Va.; Rev. Albert
Ostrander, Pastor
2. Berlin Heights Baptist Church,
Berlin Heights, Ohio; Rev. Paul
Mayo, Pastor
3. Midview Baptist Church, North
Eaton, Ohio; Rev. Frank Odor,
Pastor
4. North Olmsted Baptist Church,
North Olmsted, Ohio; Rev.
Harry J. Hemminger, Pastor
5. Bible Baptist Church, Colum-
bus, Ohio; Rev. George W. My-
ers, Pastor

The Women

The Women's Missionary Union held the attention of about 250 on Thursday afternoon, Mrs. Allan E. Lewis, presiding.

Mrs. J. H. Rhinehart was selected to direct congregational music, supported by Mrs. Robert Spillman at the organ and Mrs. Nolan Frye at the piano. A trio of ladies from the local churches presented special music.

Miss Gladys Baines, Extension Director of the Women's Department, Mid-Missions, was the principal speaker and into her address were woven many stories of home-life and church experiences while serving in mountain work.

Other missionaries recognized included: Mrs. Rhea Marie Gershon, Mrs. Robert Rogers, Mrs. Ad-
die Bromwell, Mrs. Albert Spieth,
Miss Beth Odor, and Mrs. Lucile
Hukill Harris.

The offering for the session was \$137.47. The largest amount in the "dime banks" came from ladies of the First Baptist Church, Elyria.

The officers elected for the year were;

Mrs. Allan E. Lewis....President
Mrs. H. A. Cruver...Vice President
Miss Elisabeth Clawson...Secretary
Mrs. G. Boyd.....Treasurer

The Spring Rally will be held in the Northside Baptist Church, Lima, Ohio.

Sunday School Workshop

This was an innovation designed by Rev. Robert J. Reynhout of Elyria and judged to be one of the most popular entries on the program. If comment may be used in the forecast, we are convinced that the *Sunday School Workshop* has come to stay, and that other "workshops" will be added. One teacher was heard to say: "We should have a whole day for this."

Rev. Edward Helmick of La Grange dealt with—The Pastor And His Sunday School. Rev. Donald Woodby presented Sunday School Organization and Departments. Rev. George O'Keefe discussed Canvassing and Visitation. Rev. Earl Leiby was assigned to the bracket concerning Building Attendance Through Contests and Special Days. Rev. Norman Sanders handled Music for Each Department. Mrs. Donald Woodby emphasized the value of Visual Aids For Children. Rev. Reynhout discussed method and procedure in reaching High School young people.

Seven spacious rooms were made available to the Sunday School Workshop and the delegates were at liberty to select the workshop in line with their local responsibilities. The attendance seemed to be well distributed and all were busy. The purpose of the Sunday School Workshop was not to provide a hearing for those who might wish to recite experiences, but each was a well planned entry under the direction of a competent leader. The questions were many and the answers were enlightening.

The Music

Each year the people say—"This is the best." That is probably true but only as related to certain features of the annual meeting. Without any hesitation we say that the MUSIC at the annual meeting recently held in Columbus was superior. This was true not only because of the inexhaustible backlog of talent, but as a natural sequence of careful planning over a long period by the general di-

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rector of music—REV. LYNN ROGERS. There was an exchange of letters between Mr. Rogers and key people of the churches for many weeks prior to the date of meeting.

In platform leadership Mr. Rogers was assisted by Howard G. Young, W. C. McKeever, Thomas Bunyan, George O'Keefe, Donald Loomis, T. Fred Hussey, Clarence Townsend, and Edward Spencer.

Outstanding in point of merit, and striking in appearance, were the choirs of Memorial Baptist Church, Miss Elisabeth Clawson; Clintonville Baptist Church, Donald Keyworth; and Cedarville College, Warren Weber. The orchestra, 25 pieces, of Memorial Baptist Church made valued contribution.

We noted the wide assignment of talent used at the organ and piano, this including: Allan Cherry, Hall Dautel, Quanita Frye, Willma Spillman, Kenneth Andrus, Donald Richard, Collene Keyworth, Jean Bode, Frances Tannehill, Mrs. Thomas Bunyan, William H. Green and Peggy Stockwell. Several other persons contributed instrumental numbers. Space will not permit us to name thirty talented musicians who presented vocal numbers in solo, duet, trio and quartet. Analysis of the musicians indicates that thirty churches were represented in the program.

The association is deeply grateful to Director Lynn Rogers and all who contributed to the highly attractive repertoire.

GENERAL BUSINESS

At the opening session Monday evening the council of ten presented for fellowship, five worthy Regular Baptist Churches, each of which was voted into the association. The list of these churches appears under another heading in this magazine.

In the general business session Wednesday afternoon the voting messengers gave approval to an amendment which was placed in its first reading in 1955, this applied to Article V, section 3, of the constitution. The amendment enables the council of ten to elect as officers, qualified men who are not of their own number. (That is, men who are not members of the council of ten.) This move enables the association to avail itself of qualified personnel to serve as officers, regardless of their election to the council, thus extending the

democratic aspect of the fellowship. The council members envisioned a time when they might not have within the council membership, qualified men for certain of the offices and in the opinion of this editor the action was timely and sensible.

During the business session the following made report: Rev. Elton C. Hukill, treasurer of Home and Camp; Rev. Verne L. Dunham, treasurer of Ohio Association; H. K. Finley for the magazine, and Ohio Regular Baptist Home and Camp; Rev. Hall Dautel, the secretary; Rev. William Howard Green for the Young People's Department, Rev. John G. Balyo for the Missionary Department; and Mr. A. C. Hughes for the auditing committee.

Council Certified

The certification committee consisting of Stanley Collison, B. F. Cate, William McKeever, Melvin O. Welch, and Max Tucker reported the following elected to the council of ten for a term of two years:

Reginald L. Matthews, John G. Balyo, George R. Gibson, George O'Keefe, and R. Kenneth Smelser. We list below the electoral status of all council members.

Term Expiring in 1957

Allan E. Lewis
W. H. Green
Elton C. Hukill
Robert J. Reynhout
C. C. Clawson

Term Expiring in 1958

R. L. Matthews
John G. Balyo
George R. Gibson
George O'Keefe
R. K. Smelser

Drop Out in 1957

Elton C. Hukill
W. H. Green
Allan E. Lewis

Drop Out in 1958

John G. Balyo

Immediately after the general business session the council of ten met for organization and the following officers were selected to serve for one year:

Chairman.....Allan E. Lewis
Secretary...Reginald L. Matthews
Treasurer.....Robert J. Reynhout
Missions.....George O'Keefe
Young People.....John Strong

With the selection of the Rev. John Strong to head the young people's department, which includes the program at Camp Patmos, the council exercised for the first time its prerogative to elect an officer apart from the council membership. Mr. Strong is an experienced camp director with a keen insight in relation to youth problems, and a competent disciplinarian. His addition to the executive staff assures good leadership. It will be the responsibility of Mr. Strong to select directors, speakers, missionaries, nurses, life-guards, supervisors of recreation, and choristers for the junior and senior camps, in addition to full responsibility for the "Day After Thanksgiving" banquet for 1957. This department has been carried under the direction of Rev. William Howard Green for several years and in designing the staff he has shown unusual aptitude. Having served in all for seven years, he asked to be released and nominated Mr. Strong as his successor. The association is deeply indebted to this faithful officer who has driven approximately 500 miles each of the many times he has visited the camp. This office is "rugged" as it requires the writing of about 400 letters during the months preceding camp dates, and the handling of problems without end. (Many are the advisors, but few of these would be able to meet the challenge.)

The present editor was retained.

The Magazine

The Ohio Independent Baptist was well received and 78 subscriptions, new and renewals, were handed in during the meeting, many others received by mail since those dates. The effective presentations by Rev. James T. Jeremiah and Rev. Robert J. Reynhout, were appreciated.

This editor is now beginning his twenty-sixth year in the editorial office and realizes that the degree of success depends not wholly upon the merit of the publication, but also upon the attitude of the people. We deeply appreciate the loyal support of the pastors and people of Ohio Association. The valued friendship of people makes this a joyous pastime.

The Accommodation

What could we say that would describe the excellent accommodations afforded by Memorial Baptist Church, Clintonville Baptist

Church, Central Baptist Church, and Immanuel Baptist Church of Columbus?

The facilities of Memorial Baptist Church were adequate and the courtesy of Rev. C. C. Clawson and his people reached the uttermost. The homes of the four churches named were thrown open to the visitors and the families in many cases spent the nights in improvised quarters to give the guests maximum comforts. Approximately 150 persons were registered for overnight accommodations, this number supplemented by large delegations which came for one day only. Then, many who were present throughout the four days returned to their homes in nearby cities to spend the night, thus relieving the local churches. 535 registered in the church foyer.

Miss Elisabeth Clawson served as chairman of the accommodation committee, assisted by Mrs. Martin Edwards, Mrs. Irwin Endsley, Mrs. Ray Price and Mrs. Arnold Williams. *Mrs. Ronald Paine* represented Clintonville, *Mrs. William Johnson*, Immanuel, and *Mrs. Paul Jones*, Central.

The fellowship is deeply grateful for the service and sacrifice of the churches and their representatives. May the Lord arch his most beautiful rainbow over these progressive churches and grant for their labors many precious souls, and joy in his blessed service.

The next annual meeting of Ohio Association will be held during the month of October 1957, in the First Baptist Church of Elyria, Ohio, where the Welcome Mat will be placed at the door.

XENIA

Consistent development of the Xenia Bible Church (Regular Baptist), has enabled the pastor Rev. S. Andrew Hutchison, to begin service on a full-time basis.

The work was opened by Pastor Hutchison in 1953, was incorporated in 1954, was recognized by a council in February of 1955, and received into the fellowship of Ohio Association in October of the same year.

Rev. Hutchison is a forward-looking leader and under his ministry the work will undoubtedly move steadily onward. The pastor has been employed as head of a department in one of the large stores of Xenia, but will now give full-time to the work of his church.

Ohio Regular Baptist Home and Camp

The Annual Meeting of Ohio Regular Baptist Home and Camp (which is the council of ten, Ohio Association), was held in the Memorial Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio, Tuesday, October 16, 1956.

Article IV of the constitution was amended, in line with its first reading in 1955, to permit the trustees to elect officers who are not of their own membership.

The primary function of the corporation is to elect the trustees. The terms of Allan E. Lewis, C. Douglas Burt and Donald H. Beightol expired in 1956. Allan E. Lewis and Donald H. Beightol were elected to succeed themselves, each for term of four years. Dr. Howard G. Young was added to the board, his term to cover four years. Following these items of business the meeting was adjourned, sine die.

Immediately after the meeting of

the corporation, the trustees met for organization and the transaction of other business, this board being invested with responsibility for operating the camp. Election of officers resulted, as follows:

President.....H. K. Finley
Vice President.....W. H. Green
Secretary.....Howard G. Young
Treasurer.....Elton C. Hukill

Donald H. Beightol was appointed Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings for a term of one year.

Legislation was passed authorizing the erection of one new cabin each year, subject to development program designed by the superintendent of grounds and buildings, operating in conjunction with the treasurer.

The treasurer's report appears elsewhere in this magazine.

BULLETIN

Rev. Edward Morrell, former Candidate Secretary, Mid-Missions, has accepted call to Bible Baptist Church, Bedford, Ohio. Pulpit of the church was recently made vacant by resignation of Rev. Henry Cruver.

Special meetings planned for December 3 through December 9; speakers—Rev. John Balyo, Rev. Allan E. Lewis, Mr. George S. Milner, Dr. George R. Gibson, Rev. Russell Camp. A banquet is planned for Saturday evening, December 8, and the final day, December 9, has been set aside for the formal installation. (The above information reached us after bulk manuscript for this issue of the magazine had been placed in hands of the publishers.)

RECEPTION AT ERIE

Bethel Baptist Temple, Erie, Pennsylvania, joyously received the Rev. Robert L. Gilbert and family, as evidenced by a Reception given in honor of the pastor and household, Thursday, September 20.

Following the address of welcome presented by Mr. J. R. O'Brien, and considerable special music, Rev. John G. Balyo of Cedar Hill Baptist Church, Cleveland, delivered a timely and much-appreciated message.

A letter from Mr. D. Russell Johnson reports about 250 members and friends of the church present. He further reports an attendance of 550 at the Sunday School on September 30, eleven believers being baptized at the evening church service.

THE TREASURY

OHIO ASSOCIATION: All contributions for the treasury of the association or for the magazine, and remittances for advertising in the official organ, should be mailed to **Rev. Robert J. Reynhout**, 276 Washington Avenue, Elyria, Ohio.

HOME AND CAMP: All contributions for Ohio Regular Baptist Home And Camp (Camp Patmos), should be mailed to **Rev. Elton C. Hukill**, 2029 East 30th Street, Lorain, Ohio.

Note: MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS, new or renewal, should be mailed to **Mrs. Carl W. Martin**, 316 Tenth Street, Elyria, Ohio.

CAMP PATMOS COMMENTARY

"I have been privileged to be a camp counsellor several times for both junior and senior groups, and have thoroughly enjoyed it each time. I think that one point should be stressed, that being that no group should be sent without a counsellor."

"There is an excellent sports program but several have asked if some handcrafts could be taught for those who do not take an active interest in sports. I have really enjoyed the wonderful Christian fellowship with the other counsellors and the time set aside each day for counsellor Bible study and prayer."

Mrs. Elinor Gayer, Counsellor
Medina, Ohio

"I find it rather hard to confine my praise of Camp Patmos to the number of words suggested, after having one son that has attended for the past four years and another for two years. The lasting impressions made on the lives of young people can never be measured this side of the Golden Shore."

"This was my second year at Camp Patmos as Camp Nurse. The cooperation and harmony that existed between directors, counsellors and staff was unusual and a rich blessing to all."

"The campers participated whole-heartedly in organized sports under the direction of the supervisors and guards, alleviating greatly the home-sickness, and in this way helping the nurses. Of course, we had the usual number of headaches, stomachaches, and bruises which kept us busy."

"The speakers and missionaries were exceptionally good this year, and all fitted their messages to the age groups. Many were saved each week and the spiritual atmosphere left a lasting and favorable impression on all who attended. I believe that God is using this camp for His glory."

Mrs. Ray A. Biddle, R.N.
Rutland, Ohio

"It was my pleasure again this year for the third consecutive year, to serve my Lord in the capacity of camp nurse."

"I was overjoyed as I beheld the beautiful grounds and the newly erected cabin was a mark of good craftsmanship. As I watched them lay the foundation for another, I prayed that by so doing we could make room for more boys and girls and with God's help we would be able to teach them of our Savior, who is our sure foundation."

"I truly thank God for this blessed experience and pray that many boys and girls might receive the Lord in the years to come, if Jesus tarries."

Ruth Kautz, R.N.
Cleveland, Ohio

"It was on Monday, July 28, 1952, the opening day at Camp Patmos, that my wife and I arrived to have charge of speaking and music for the first service. The day for which we had been waiting had come at last."

"During the five years of this camp, my wife and I have taught six of the weeks and each of these weeks has been filled with blessings which we treasure."

"It takes team work to make a successful camp and we are hap-



py to have worked with those who have been in charge, teaming together for the boys and girls of Ohio Association."

Wm. C. McKeever, Speaker
Bowling Green, Ohio

I rather think sometimes that the impact of the weekly church services on some of our Baptist young people is like the repeated tap of a tack-hammer in comparison to the sledgehammer blows of Camp. It seems to me that a series of Bible messages separated in time from one another by six-day periods, cannot possibly strike the conscience and will with the same telling force as nine messages in a single week. If this be true, it constitutes the one undeniable imperative for such a camp as Patmos. That it is true is proved by the spiritual results that are achieved at Camp that are not achieved in the home church. I have yet to

attend a spiritual, well-regulated camp that did not produce some striking victories in the lives of young people. Camp Patmos was no exception. We saw God at work this past summer, and in company with the angels in His presence, rejoiced."

John G. Balyo, Speaker
Cleveland, Ohio

"Do figures mean anything to you? When we hear that more than one thousand young people attended Camp Patmos this year, and approximately 135 professions of faith resulted, would anybody dare even think that the effort is not worth while?"

"Every pastor and parent should cooperate prayerfully with what Ohio Association is seeking to provide for our youth, whose lives are so quickly influenced and molded into what they may be for life."

"In all of my years of camp work, the week with the young people on Kelleys Island this summer was the most outstanding. Thanks to the Lord, the fine cooperation of the whole crew of workers and counsellors, and to that fine crowd of vivacious young campers."

Robert J. Reynhout, Speaker
Elyria, Ohio

"This letter expresses my true sentiments in relation to Camp Patmos. I do thank God for the privilege of being given a place on the staff."

"The Queen of Sheba and I had one thing in common. We were both the victims of half-knowledge. For many years, as a pastor in Ohio Association, I had prayed for and supported Camp Patmos, but for some unexplained reason I had never visited the camp. It was my privilege to speak at the camp this past summer, and it was at that time I realized I had been the victim of half-knowledge, for, most certainly 'the half was not told me.' (I Kings 10:7)

"I now praise the Lord for the fact that I am no longer the victim of half-knowledge."

Glenn H. Davis, Speaker
Columbus, Ohio

"I had heard much about Camp Patmos during the past few years but when I entered into the activities of the camp this past sum-

George S. Milner Delivers Address

Speaker Interested in Home for Aged

We have a letter from Mr. George S. Milner dealing with a Home For the Aged, and attached to the letter are some notes used by the writer in an address delivered at the Fiftieth Anniversary of The Baptist Home in Cleveland, in which he served as President for seventeen years.

Mr. Milner is no longer connected with the Home, he having resigned from the board about three years ago. The Home is a facility of Cleveland Baptist Association and was founded in 1904.

In his letter to this editor the writer pointed to the fact that throughout its history the Home has been governed by "laymen." Mr. Milner is of the opinion that in Ohio Association Of Regular Baptist Churches there are many well qualified "laymen" who could be used with great profit by the churches in founding and govern-

ing a similar institution.

Without question, Ohio Association is in need of a Home and the fellowship is looking forward to such institution at no far distant date. To the best of our knowledge there is not a man among the 100 affiliated churches who has had any experience in such project, apart from GEORGE S. MILNER. For sometime letters have been exchanged with Mr. Milner, and in spite of the fact that he has been loaded with responsibilities by organizations unnumbered, with which he is officially related, we have reason to believe that he plans to guide the local churches to a point where Ohio Association will provide this much-needed institution. Mr. Milner's interest centers not only in providing bodily comfort for aged people, but in also ministering to their spiritual welfare.

BAPTIST BIBLE SEMINARY

Johnson City, New York

The big news of the moment at Baptist Bible Seminary is our new property addition at 325 Main Street, Johnson City. For several years we have endeavored to secure this site since it adjoins the Post Office on the west side as our present facilities do on the east side. Friends who are conversant with Johnson City will understand its location when we say that it is between the Charles F. Johnson estate and the Post Office and directly across Main Street from the First Baptist Church. Simultaneously the First Baptist Church has purchased another residence which is on Harrison Street, to which our faculty offices have been moved, so that the Annex can be demolished and the parking lot enlarged. Eventually our faculty offices will be permanently housed in our new facilities at 325 Main Street.

Shortly after the above purchase was authorized, word reached us of a bequest from the estate of Rev. Raymond Ridley and his wife, of Buffalo, New York. Rev. Ridley had been a Board member of the Seminary for many years before his homegoing. It seemed fitting

to the Executive Committee that our new property should carry the name, "Ridley Hall," in memory of Rev. Ridley and his wife. Although the bequest is substantial (we do not know exactly what it will total) it will not cover our entire need by any means. So, again we look to the Lord through His people for praise in view of what He has seen fit to accomplish, and sacrifice for what He would have completed.

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mer as a counsellor for three wonderful weeks, I realized then that the half had not been told me.

"It was spiritually refreshing to work, play, and worship with the junior and senior young people, and the many fine counsellors, and to see some of the young folk come to Christ, as others dedicated their lives to God's service.

"May God's blessing continue to abide upon this consecrated effort for the Lord."

Kenneth Houser, Counsellor
Toledo, Ohio

"College young people will receive a real blessing if they include Camp Patmos in their summer vacation plans. This past summer I had the opportunity to go there myself.

"With all the rush of our modern life, it is wise—as our Lord said, to—'come apart.' The music, the Christian fellowship, the messages, the devotional periods, and the camp-fire service all contributed to a mountain top experience with God.

"It would be wonderful if we could persuade more of the unsaved young people to attend Camp Patmos, where they would be able to see the difference between 'Christian fun' and worldly entertainment."

Marilyn Nordlund, Camper
Fostoria, Ohio

"This past July it was my privilege to attend Camp Patmos as a counsellor. It was my first experience as a counsellor; in fact, I had never even been at the camp. The week was a joyous one and long to be remembered. I particularly enjoyed the Christian fellowship, the challenging messages and the sunset devotional periods. It was such good training for young folk and I certainly recommend the camp."

Mrs. Neil Wolfe, Counsellor
Lima, Ohio

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			Baptism	Letter	Experience	Death	Letter	Erasure		Current	Building	Missions	
1.	Akron, Brown Street	248	19	10	4	1	4		276	\$ 11,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,000
2.	Akron, Emmanuel												
3.	Amherst, Faith	90	14	3	2	2	5		102	6,355		344	6,355
4.	Arcanum, Immanuel	98	10		2	1	2	1	106	14,359	3,260	2,641	14,359
5.	Ashland, Calvary		5	6	2				13	489	743	280	489
6.	Avon, Avon	75	9		1	1	12		72	5,753	500	999	5,753
7.	Barberton, Norton Center	125					3	42	80	5,078	1,040	750	5,078
8.	Bedford, Bible	71	8			1	4		74	3,500	3,600	800	3,500
9.	Belle Center, New Richland	50	17		3				70	3,634		728	3,634
10.	Bellefontaine, Calvary	279	14	8		2		1	298	15,965	3,177	14,633	15,965
11.	Bellefontaine, First Regular	141	4	1		1		1	144	11,146		7,012	11,146
12.	Berea, Berea	186	15	5			22	3	181	19,472	4,729	8,143	19,472
13.	Blanchester, First	412	60	15	6	5	9	4	475	10,880	9,784	3,289	10,880
14.	Bowling Green, First	150	4	4		2	4		152	4,405	1,551	2,111	4,405
15.	Brunswick, Beebetown	44	3	2			4		45	2,775		523	2,775
16.	Bucyrus, Calvary	42	6		3				51	3,700	4,100	1,800	3,700
17.	Byesville, Calvary	117	4	6		1	9		117	4,355	1,420	865	4,355
18.	Cambridge, Second	103	16	2	1		5	3	114	4,567	793	1,011	4,567
19.	Canton, Calvary	62	20	5			5	16	66	4,131	3,695	1,272	4,131
20.	Cedarville, Grace	0		35					35	881	474	1,528	881
21.	Charleston, Randolph Street	588	25	6	5	3	18	190	413	26,003		11,912	26,003
22.	Clendenin, Calvary	74	3	1			1		77	3,814	651	431	3,814
23.	Cleveland, Bethlehem	106		6					112	22,172	1,200	5,618	22,172
24.	Cleveland, Brookside	221	13	3	6	2	4	38	199	13,456	2,512	8,773	13,456
25.	Cleveland, Calvary	263	7			3	8	2	257	10,636	894	9,091	10,636
26.	Cleveland, Faith	83	1	2		1	2	42	38	5,900		750	5,900
27.	Cleveland Heights, Cedar Hill	819	26	12	16	3	38	51	781	25,911	66,243	47,328	25,911
28.	Columbus, Central	206	14	7			15	64	148	5,859	1,264	5,027	5,859
29.	Columbus, Clintonville	181	15	9	3	4	3	1	200	18,005	6,400	8,980	18,005
30.	Columbus, Immanuel	236	3	10		2	9	52	186	11,381	600	8,131	11,381
31.	Columbus, Memorial	369	16	2		3	2	14	368	12,474	3,078	5,401	12,474
32.	Coshocton, Christian	94		2		1			95	6,618	100	2,440	6,618
33.	Cuyahoga Falls, Graham Rd.	256	9	4				14	255	14,689	3,000	3,812	14,689
34.	Dayton, Emmanuel	687	56	19	4			39	727	37,500	18,600	19,400	37,500
35.	Elyria, First	488	46	13	11	4	11	5	538	34,878	9,935	12,488	34,878
36.	Erie, Bethel	528	13		8	7	20		522	22,270	16,118	14,875	22,270
37.	Euclid, Euclid-Nottingham	642	36	27	22	2	16	8	701	24,242	34,779	17,664	24,242
38.	Euclid, Lakeland	58											
39.	Fayette, Ambrose	74	5	1	1	1	1		79	3,894		1,974	3,894
40.	Findlay, First	75	14		11				100	5,897	1,208	2,557	5,897
41.	Fostoria, Fostoria	258	9	13	1	2		16	263	9,982	395	3,029	9,982
42.	Galion, First	174	5				7		172	10,200	5,895	5,300	10,200
43.	Gallipolis, First	464	26	6	3	8	7		484	35,987		12,417	35,987
44.	Garrettsville, Troy	46	8	1	1			6	50	2,699		970	2,699
45.	Hinckley, Hinckley Ridge	88	8	3		3			96	2,623	15,234	448	2,623
46.	Kipton, Camden	108		2			1		109	2,773	306	1,212	2,773
47.	LaGrange, First	203	30	3	1	1			236	9,432	721	4,934	9,432
48.	Lancaster, First								39	3,100	1,000	500	3,100
49.	Lima, Homewood												

ANNOUNCEMENT

Dale Fisher, a recent graduate of Baptist Bible Seminary, has accepted call to the pulpit of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Arcanum, Ohio.

FELLOWSHIP OF BAPTISTS FOR HOME MISSIONS

The Fellowship Of Baptists For Home Missions has erected an office building in Elyria, designed to meet present needs and eliminate rental expense. The building

is not elaborate and conforms to the rules of economy.

Rev. J. Irving Reese, the general director advises that the completed building cost approximately \$10,000.00. Designated for the project, the mission has received gifts

BAPTIST CHURCHES—1955-56 STATISTICS

CHURCHES	MEMBERSHIP							FINANCES					
	ADDITIONS			DISMISSALS			Present Year	HOME			TOTALS		
	Last Year	Baptism	Letter	Experience	Death	Letter		Erasure	Current	Building		Missions	
Location and Name of Church													
ma, Northside	105	6	4	7				122	\$ 13,642	\$ 2,076	\$ 3,488	\$ 19,206	
rain, East Side	327	35	7	13	2	7		373	20,586		6,577	27,163	
rain, Penfield Junction	225	2				7		220	9,000	4,000	3,500	16,500	
rain, Trinity	147	7	2			5		151	5,449	7,060	2,624	15,133	
acksburg, Road Fork	96		3			1	3	95	180	108	100	388	
annington, Calvary	85	1				2		84	3,697	450	1,097	5,244	
assillon, Calvary	87	12	2	6	2	8	7	90	2,960	500	1,620	5,080	
eDonald, First	173	10		4		8	4	175	9,075	1,900	4,510	15,485	
edina, First	212	26		3	1	2		238	9,689	784	9,984	20,457	
ew London, First	77	6	6			2		87	5,279	1,578	2,870	9,727	
iles, Evansville	173	8		5		4	5	177	6,374	1,963	1,742	10,079	
iles, First	340	35	17	9	2	3	2	394	14,850	10,715	8,992	34,557	
orthfield, Village	93	6	8	1		7	10	91	5,725	1,031	1,350	8,106	
orth Jackson, Independent	67	7	4		2	5	7	64	7,213	3,958	834	12,005	
orth Madison, Bible								53	4,390	762	866	6,018	
orth Olmsted, No. Olmsted		1	5	10				16	1,725	450	242	2,417	
orth Royalton, North													
oyalton	146	9	6		1	1		159	9,307	3,992	2,655	15,954	
orwalk, Calvary	138	8	1	1	2	1	19	126	6,429	605	3,669	10,703	
tsego, Bible Mission	12	2				1		13	819		555	1,374	
ainesville, Calvary	87	29	10	8		5		129	7,257	7,214	2,307	16,778	
arma, First	131	24	22	10		9	45	133	13,851		1,817	15,668	
ortsmouth, Temple	780	20	17	6	8	30	16	769	48,224		11,172	59,396	
ortsmouth, Waits Station	36				1	3	1	31					
uaker City, Salt Fork	40	2		2	1			43	1,255	11	669	1,935	
ochester, Rochester	84		2		1	1		84	2,770	20	340	3,130	
ocky River, Grace	125	7	1	1	2	12	3	117	6,356	1,797	5,000	13,153	
andusky, Calvary	144	8	4	3	4	3		152	7,108	3,800	4,630	15,538	
haron, Penn Avenue	78	21				2		97	9,135	3,244	1,708	14,087	
outh Olive, New Harmony	90	1		1	4	2		86	1,700	200	560	2,460	
pencer, First	162	3			1	3		161	5,142	1,926	4,606	11,674	
pencerville, Open Door	28							28	560	1,200	380	2,140	
pringfield, Blessed Hope	269	10	18			6		291	13,876	6,000	4,450	24,326	
pringfield, Maranatha	97		4					101	4,860	4,381	540	9,781	
truthers, Tabernacle	275	5	5				5	280	15,140	8,000	21,188	44,328	
allmadge, Fundamental	273	10	5			5		283	9,686	2,652	2,467	14,805	
thurston, Fairfield	58				1	5		52	3,594	377	1,405	5,376	
iffin, Calvary	34			6				40	2,541		567	3,108	
ledo, Emmanuel	571	25	5	32	7	10	20	596	23,507	13,837	25,036	62,380	
ledo, Lewis Avenue	102		4		2	8	1	95	5,400	4,400	1,860	11,660	
roy, Grace	126	10		1	2	6		129	7,709	1,334	2,610	11,653	
Wauseon, First	92				2	7	4	79	5,800	600	1,868	8,268	
Wellington, First Regular	180	20	1	4	1	6	26	172	12,029	3,495	5,583	21,107	
Wheelersburg, Wheelersburg	190	45	3	10		1		247	8,691	2,154	3,300	14,145	
Xenia, Emmanuel	140	11	4	1	3	2	4	147	13,903		2,177	16,080	
Xenia, Xenia Bible	41	3	2		1		7	38	1,141	2,026	617	3,784	
Zanesville, Bible Mission	40	1	8	7		2	3	51	2,943	3,429	11,763	18,135	
TOTALS		1,052	434	268	118	440	803	16,875	\$885,407	\$349,298	\$445,086	\$1,679,791	

of about \$600.00 and has borrowed, \$6,660.00. Mr. Reese states that about \$2,800.00 is urgently needed to meet outstanding obligations.

The mission is engaged in sponsoring pioneer work in many states, these developing into Regular Bap-

tist Churches. The mission is well managed and deserves the support of all Bible-believing Baptist people.

Address: *Fellowship Of Baptists For Home Missions, Post Office Box 455, Elyria, Ohio.*

JUST ARRIVED!

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Mayo, Berlin Heights Baptist Church, have announced the arrival of Rachel Beth. The little girl was introduced on Friday, October 26, 1956.

ELYRIA

The First Baptist Church of Elyria, Ohio has enjoyed steps ahead under the blessing of God. In the past year there has been continual growth in the Sunday School and all other departments of the church work.

This past month of September has established a new Sunday School record which stands above any other month in the Sunday School history. The average attendance was 583 with an all time record mark of 725 for the second Sunday in the month. In the past two and one half years the Sunday School has more than doubled both in attendance and enrollment. This increase is attributed to no one given factor. Rev. Robert Reynhout who has been the Pastor a little over two years, states that this healthy growth has been due primarily to a fine Sunday School staff, more departments, and twice as many classes, which of course means many more people working



for the glory of God through the Sunday School.

At present the First Baptist Church of Elyria is in a Sunday School Contest with five other churches of this whole area—Emmanuel Baptist, Toledo; Temple Baptist, Portsmouth; Euclid-Nottingham Baptist, Cleveland; Bethel Baptist, Erie, Pennsylvania; and Randolph St. Baptist, Charleston, West Virginia.

This happens to be the 120th Anniversary year of the church in Elyria and it is expected that rec-

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THE DIRECTORY

OHIO ASSOCIATION OF REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES

Church	Pastor	Address
1. AKRON Emmanuel Baptist	Carl Narducci	2743 Bender Avenue Akron, Ohio
2. AKRON Brown Street Baptist	Dean Henry	2743 Bender Avenue Akron, Ohio
3. AMHERST Faith Baptist	Leland Howard	Route No. 1 Amherst, Ohio
4. ARCANUM Immanuel Baptist	Dale Fisher	P.O. Box 93 Arcanum, Ohio
5. ASHLAND Calvary Baptist	Fred Alexander	1019 Grant Street Ashland, Ohio
6. AVON Avon Baptist	Homer Graven	P.O. Box 88 Avon, Ohio
7. BARBERTON Norton Center Baptist	J. C. Downs	c/o Keith Burdett Route No. 1 Wadsworth, Ohio
8. BEDFORD Bible Baptist	Vacant	Mrs. Gerald East 828 High Street Bedford, Ohio
9. BELLEFONTAINE Calvary Baptist	James E. Rosner	609 North Main St. Bellefontaine, Ohio
10. BELLEFONTAINE First Regular Baptist	Gerald Barlow	405 East Columbus St. Bellefontaine, Ohio
11. BEEBETOWN Beebetown Baptist	Herbert W. Jones	3440 Henninger Road Cleveland 9, Ohio
12. BERE A Berea Baptist	Earl V. Willetts	11 Adams St. Berea, Ohio
13. BERLIN HEIGHTS Berlin Heights Baptist	Paul Mayo	Berlin Heights, Ohio
14. BOWLING GREEN First Baptist	W. C. McKeever	110 East Oak Street Bowling Green, Ohio
15. BLANCHESTER First Baptist	David Canine	302 West Center St. Blanchester, Ohio
16. BUCYRUS Calvary Baptist	J. Howard Jones	610½ E. Warren St. Bucyrus, Ohio
17. BYESVILLE Calvary Baptist	Harold House	218 North Third St. Byesville, Ohio
18. CAMBRIDGE Second Baptist	Marshall Harper	424 North Third St. Cambridge, Ohio
19. CANTON Calvary Baptist	Charles McKinney	4420 Second St., N.W. Canton 8, Ohio
20. CEDARVILLE Grace Baptist	Harry E. Cole	P.O. Box 438 Cedarville, Ohio
21. CHARLESTON Randolph St. Baptist	Robert E. McNeill	213 Randolph Street Charleston, W. Va.
22. CLENDENIN Calvary Baptist	Edward L. Greenwood	Cleundenin, West Virginia
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26. CLEVELAND Faith Baptist	Donald Kellogg	12958 Emerson Avenue Lakewood 7, Ohio
27. CLEVELAND Calvary Baptist	George R. Gibson	2601 Library Avenue Cleveland 9, Ohio
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29. COLUMBUS Clintonville Baptist	Glenn H. Davis	238 Winthrop Road Columbus 14, Ohio
30. COLUMBUS Immanuel Baptist	William A. Brock	195 Powhatan Avenue Columbus 4, Ohio
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36. ELYRIA First Baptist	Robert J. Reynhout	276 Washington Ave. Elyria, Ohio
37. ERIE Bethel Baptist	Robert L. Gilbert	Cor. 26th & Wayne Erie, Pennsylvania
38. EUCLID Euclid-Nottingham	Allan E. Lewis	18901 Lake Shore Blvd. Euclid 19, Ohio
39. EUCLID Lakeland Baptist	Donald L. May	10818 Mount Overlook Cleveland 4, Ohio
40. EVANSVILLE Evansville Baptist	Donald Loomis	120 Salt Spring Road Niles, Ohio
41. FAYETTE Ambrose Baptist	Clarence Townsend	Route No. 2 Fayette, Ohio
42. FINDLAY First Baptist	Melvin O. Welch	314 First Street Findlay, Ohio
43. FOSTORIA Fostoria Baptist	Ralph T. Nordlund	200 West Fourth St. Fostoria, Ohio
44. GALLIPOLIS First Baptist	William H. Green	Baptist Parsonage Gallipolis, Ohio
45. GALION First Baptist	Wilfred Booth	158 Orange Street Galion, Ohio
46. GARRETTSVILLE Troy Baptist	C. Richard Phelps	Route No. 2 Garrettsville, Ohio
47. HINCKLEY Hinckley Ridge Baptist	Ralph Stearns	Route No. 2 Brunswick, Ohio
48. KIPTON Camden Baptist	Earl Harriman	Kipton, Ohio

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ELYRIA (Continued)

ords will be established in all departments of the church program. Souls have been coming to the Lord quite regularly during the Sunday Services. Additions are being made to the church membership regularly, and church offerings for current expenses and the missionary budget, both of which are higher than before, are regularly being met.

The monthly Hebron Youth Rallies of the northern area of Ohio are held at the First Baptist Church of Elyria. Rev. Reynhout is the present Youth Director of the Hebron Association. Good attendance has been retained for these monthly rallies.

There are always between 250 and 500 people present for the Saturday night meetings early in the month, and during the months of September and October about 25 churches were represented at each of the rallies. Dr. Robert Ket-



cham and Dr. Paul Jackson were the most recent speakers at these rallies. It would be of interest to know also that a High-School Choir is being developed and is singing at each rally. Mr. Jack Payne, Director of this Choir, is expecting that upwards of 50 High School young people will regularly be singing in this Saturday event. The Hebron Youth Rally has been used of God to bring blessings to many young people and adults and also to contribute liberally in a financial way to several of our Baptist schools, missionaries, and Camp Patmos.

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But for the gifts withholden
I fain would add my word.
For the good things I desired
that barred me from the best;
The peace at the price of honor,
the sloth of a shameful rest;
The poisonous sweets I longed for
to my hungering heart denied;
The staff that broke and failed me
when I walked in the way of
pride;
The tinsel joys withheld that
so content might still be mine;
The help refused that might have
made me loose my hand from
Thine;
The light withdrawn that I might
not see the dangers of my way;
For what Thou hast not given,
I thank Thee, Lord, today.

—Annie Johnson Flint

A NICE BIG BOY

Daniel Calvin weighed in at 10 pounds and 5 ounces at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Robert E. McNeill and his arrival provides a welcome addition at the Randolph Street Baptist Church, Charleston, West Virginia. The husky youngster made his bow on October 9, 1956.

The magazine extends congratulations and best wishes.

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51. LIMA Homewood Baptist	E. G. Riley	P.O. Box 103 Vaughnsville, Ohio
52. LIMA Northside Baptist	Clark E. Spaulding	779 Broadway Lima, Ohio
53. LORAIN East Side Baptist	Verne L. Dunham	227 Kansas Avenue Lorain, Ohio
54. LORAIN Penfield Jet. Baptist	Edward E. Spencer	5010 Broad Street Lorain, Ohio
55. LORAIN Trinity Baptist	Elton C. Hukill	2029 East 30th St. Lorain, Ohio
56. MACKSBURG Road Fork Baptist	G. Howard Hein	P.O. Box 27 Dexter City, Ohio
57. MANNINGTON Calvary Baptist	Albert Ostrander	126 Furbee Avenue Mannington, W. Va.
58. MASSILLON Calvary Baptist	Carl Williamson	1726 Adelaide Blvd. Akron 5, Ohio
59. MEDINA First Baptist	R. Kenneth Smelser	125 Friendship St. Medina, Ohio
60. McDONALD First Baptist	Leonard Travis	444 Indiana Avenue McDonald, Ohio
61. NORTH JACKSON Independent Baptist	Gerald Mitchell	P.O. Box 2609 North Jackson, Ohio
62. NORTHFIELD Northfield Village Baptist	Lynn Rogers	119 Vincent Avenue Route No. 1 Northfield, Ohio
63. NEW LONDON First Baptist	George V. Cosby	34 Park Avenue New London, Ohio
64. NEW RICHLAND New Richland Baptist	William Roller	Route No. 2 Belle Center, Ohio
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66. NORTH ROYALTON North Royalton Baptist	Kenneth E. Nelson	P.O. Box 25 North Royalton, Ohio
67. NORTH MADISON Bible Baptist	Ronald P. Globig	Route 3 Argyle Drive Madison, Ohio
68. NORTH OLMSTED North Olmsted Baptist	Harry J. Hemminger	P.O. Box 184 North Olmsted, Ohio
69. NORTH EATON Midview Baptist	Frank Odor	Route No. 1 Grafton, Ohio
70. NORWALK Calvary Baptist	Donald H. Beightol	91 Foster Street Norwalk, Ohio
71. OTSEGO Bible Mission Baptist	Kenneth Gilmore	Otsego, Ohio
72. PAINESVILLE Calvary Baptist	John Strong	727 Mentor Avenue Painesville, Ohio

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THE DIRECTORY (Continued)

Church	Pastor	Address
73. PARMA First Baptist	Elliott Horton	4514 Pershing Avenue Parma 29, Ohio
74. PORTSMOUTH Temple Baptist	Hall Dautel	Gallia at Waller Portsmouth, Ohio
75. QUAKER CITY Salt Fork Baptist	Kenneth Fuller	Old Washington, Ohio
76. ROCHESTER Rochester Baptist	Donald Matheny	Route 1 Wellington, Ohio
77. ROCKY RIVER Grace Baptist	Vernon Billington	1276 Westlake Avenue Lakewood 7, Ohio
78. SANDUSKY Calvary Baptist	Max Tucker	236 Finch Street Sandusky, Ohio
79. SCIOTOVILLE Waits Baptist	Walter Staten	514 Lincoln Street Portsmouth, Ohio
80. SHARON Penn Ave. Baptist	Allen M. Cherry	372 Wilson Street Sharon, Pennsylvania
81. SOUTH OLIVE New Harmony Baptist	Vacant	Mrs. Josephine Davis South Olive, Ohio
82. SPENCER First Baptist	Adam A. Galt	Baptist Parsonage Spencer, Ohio
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89. TIFFIN Calvary Baptist	G. H. Wiseman	97 Huss Street Tiffin, Ohio
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92. TOLEDO Lewis Ave. Baptist	Kenneth F. Houser	4240 North Haven Ave. Toledo 12, Ohio
93. WAUSEON First Baptist	Martin E. Holmes	523 Elm Street Wauseon, Ohio
94. WELLINGTON First Baptist	Howard G. Young	202 East Herrick Ave. Wellington, Ohio
95. WHEELERSBURG Wheelersburg Baptist	John F. Adkins	224 South Street Wheelersburg, Ohio
96. XENIA Emmanuel Baptist	Dale Cadman	500 Marshall Drive Xenia, Ohio
97. XENIA Xenia Bible Church (Baptist)	S. Andrew Hutchison	111 Lake Street Xenia, Ohio
98. ZANESVILLE Bible Mission Baptist	Llewellyn Thompson	Route No. 2 Dresden, Ohio

BETHEL (NORTH) YOUNG PEOPLES RALLY

The Bethel Association (North) Young Peoples Rally was held in the Lewis Avenue Baptist Church Toledo, Rev. Kenneth Houser, pastor, October 12th. The following program was enjoyed.

Rev. and Mrs. Houser was in charge of the music.

Young Ladies Trio from The North Side Baptist Church of Lima and a duet from Tiffin furnished the special music.

A Silent Sword Drill which was directed by Rev. McKeever.

A challenging message by *Rev. Robert Reynhout* on the subject, "How Can I Serve The Lord." His text was found in Luke 20:19-26.

After the service the presidents and pastors from our churches met to form the plans for the next rally which will be held January 11th, 1957 at Bowling Green.

BROOKSIDE

News from the Brookside Baptist Church submitted by Mrs. John Kautz, indicates a continuing blessing among the people.

An evangelistic campaign conducted by The Spurr Brothers of Detroit was well attended and resulted in many professions of faith. The work has been abundantly blest under the effective ministry of Rev. George O'Keefe.



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TO THE MESSENGERS OF THE CHURCHES:

The Lord has richly blessed the Association and its churches this year and we praise Him for this. Your secretary's report is as follows:

MEMBERSHIP

	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56
Total number of churches	85	89	93	95
Churches reporting	80	81	82	92
Largest membership	1,020	864	780	781
Smallest membership	8	11	28	13
Total members	13,698	14,520	16,152	16,884
Total additions	1,673	1,700	1,790	1,754
Total dismissals	578	1,044	1,011	1,361
Net gains	1,095	656	679	393
Average membership	189	180	192	183

FINANCES

Total amount reported	\$1,215,406.50	\$1,421,478.23	\$1,542,467.00	\$1,679,791.00
Average per church	14,713.06	17,549.00	18,810.00	18,259.00
Allocated current expense	621,169.90	717,549.00	789,702.00	885,407.00
Allocated missions	338,686.41	367,497.67	387,750.00	445,086.00
Average per church	4,233.00	4,594.00	4,726.00	4,838.00
Allocated building	255,450.29	325,745.00	356,195.00	349,298.00

Respectfully submitted,

HALL DAUTEL, Secretary

HINCKLEY RIDGE

Reports reaching us from the Hinckley Ridge Baptist Church, Ralph Stearns, pastor, indicate considerable advance in all divisions of the work.

Eleven believers were recently received into the church, eight of these by baptism, and the Sunday School average is approximately 100, with about the same number in the morning service of worship. Three youth groups are busy each Sunday evening.

Two years ago the church dedicated a new parsonage, with an indebtedness of \$15,000.00. According to our understanding this has been reduced to about \$2,000.00, and complete liquidation is in sight.

The church has made constant advance, under increased spiritual vigor, since the coming of Pastor Stearns to the work about four years ago.

Treasurer's Report for Year 1955-1956

RECEIPTS FOR YEAR

General Fund	\$1360.01
Magazine	1807.02
Advertising	601.20
Missions	174.50
Total Receipts	3942.73
Balance Oct. 15, 1955	700.95
Grand Total	4643.68

DISBURSEMENTS FOR YEAR

General Fund	\$ 982.02
Magazine	3391.06
Missions	174.50
	4547.58
Balance Oct. 12, 1956	\$ 96.10

Respectfully Submitted,

VERNE L. DUNHAM, Treasurer

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Trinity Baptist Church, Lorain, will dedicate its new house of worship, Sunday afternoon, December 2nd. The service will begin at 2:30 and friends will be made welcome.



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Report of the Treasurer, Ohio Regular Baptist Home and Camp, Inc.

Fiscal year, Oct. 16, 1955-Oct. 15, 1956:

Home:

Balance in Treas., Oct. 15, 1955	\$ 626.50	
Rec'd gifts for year	480.00	
Bal. Oct. 15, 1956	\$ 1106.50	\$1106.50

Camp Period of 8 Weeks:

Rec'd campers & guests	\$11050.12	\$11050.12
Expenses for Period:		
Neuman Boat Line	2355.07	
Kitchen crew	1932.00	
General expenses	6107.36	
Total expenses	\$10394.43	10394.43
Bal. for 8 weeks camp		655.69

General Report for Camp:

Rec'd from churches, associations, and individuals	\$ 4799.88	
Bal. in camp fund, Oct. 15, 1955	256.20	
Total receipts	\$ 5056.08	\$ 5056.08

DISBURSEMENTS:

Improvements, repairs, etc.	\$ 3260.45	
Paid mortgage, principal	1500.00	
Interest on mortgage	500.00	
Total disbursements	\$ 5260.45	\$ 5260.45
Deficit		\$ 204.37

Bal. in general fund, Oct. 15, 1956		\$ 451.32
Bal. in both Home and Camp Fund		\$1557.82

Respectfully submitted,
ELTON C. HUKILL, Treasurer

GIFTS TO OHIO ASSOCIATION

REV. ROBERT J. REYNHOUT, Treas., 276 Washington Ave., Elyria, O.

Calvary Baptist Church, Cleveland	\$ 5.00
Bethlehem Baptist Church, Cleveland	5.00
Euclid Nottingham Baptist Church, Cleveland	5.00
Penn Avenue Baptist Church, Sharon	5.00
Berea Baptist Church, Berea	10.00
First Baptist Church, Gallipolis	10.00
First Baptist Church, Elyria	24.48
First Baptist Church, Bowling Green	3.00
North Royalton Baptist Church	2.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Norwalk	5.00
Mr. Mortimer Olds, Columbia Station	3.50

NORTH OLMSTED

News submitted by Mrs. George Welch indicates that the Lord is richly blessing the new work at Olmsted Falls under the effective ministry of Rev. Harry Hemminger.

The average Sunday School attendance is 60, with offerings of about \$65.00 per week. The church attendance is well over this mark, with offerings for September of about \$550.00.

The church meets in rented quarters but has now purchased land and very soon a new house of worship will be erected.

The church was recently received into Ohio Association and will be a valuable addition to the fellowship.



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CHANNELS OF BLESSING

REV. GLENN GREENWOOD, *Pastor, Blessed Hope Baptist Church, Springfield, O.*

This excellent sermon (abbreviated for print), was delivered by Pastor Greenwood at the annual meeting of Ohio Association, recently held in Memorial Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio. (Editor)

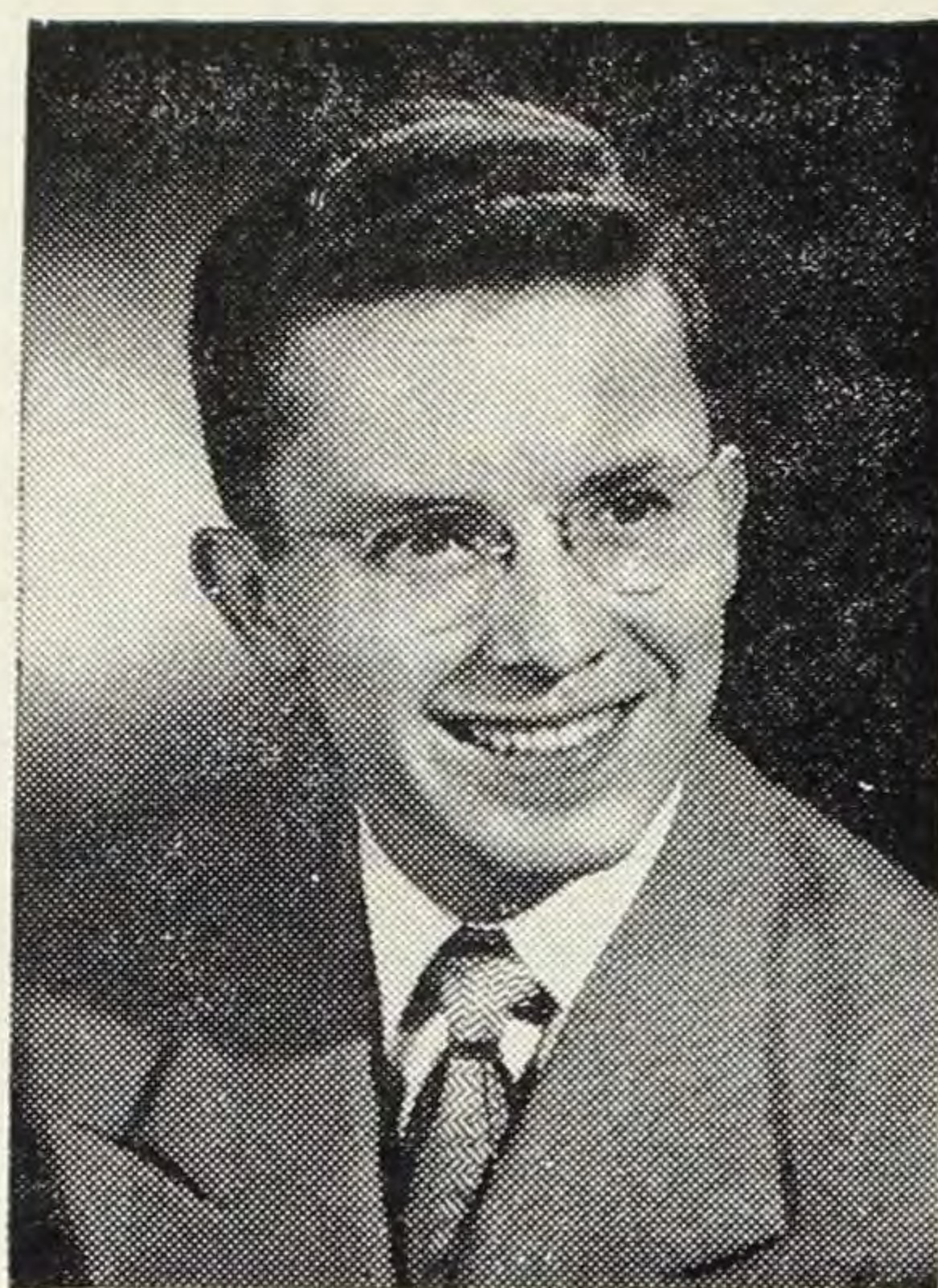
All of us are familiar with such slogans as "Remember Pearl Harbor" or the one employed by the Republicans in the last election—"Remember 1948." Our American troops put the Spanish to flight by chanting, "Remember The Maine." Napoleon inspired his men to accomplish feats by similar spirited slogans.

In Nehemiah 6:13-14 we have the same psychology employed by the great lay leader of the day, Nehemiah when he inspired his people to rebuild the wall. Three words stand out in verse 14, "REMEMBER THE LORD." Such a phrase seems juvenile, nevertheless it is a basic principle in the work of the Lord.

In the sixth chapter of Nehemiah we find God's people becoming discouraged because of the insistent opposition from the enemy. We find seven recorded attacks from the enemy in this book. Since seven is the number for completeness we can see how the work was opposed with complete opposition. Every attempt imaginable was made by the enemy, but in all of them God wrought a mighty victory.

In verse thirteen Nehemiah arms the people. A surprise attack has been planned by the enemy. The Jewish people were dispersed as we read in verse 19, therefore discouragement and fear prevailed in the camp. They were given the necessary implements of warfare, such as, spears, swords and bows. Then much to our amazement we find Nehemiah warning the people in verse 14. The people were ARMED in verse 13 and WARNED in verse 14.

The warning is very brief—"REMEMBER THE LORD." Here is a sword, but do not depend on it. Here is a spear but do not depend on it. The basic lesson taught is one familiar to all of us—"The weapons of our warfare are not carnal." This is the Lord's work, and He shall fight for us. Nehemiah wanted Isaiah 59:19 to be a reality to them, "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord



Glenn Greenwood

shall lift up a standard against him," or better rendered, "The Lord shall put him to flight." Here is victory!! The work of rebuilding the wall is God's work, and we are just His instruments. "Not by might, nor by power but by My Spirit saith the Lord." Yes, but do we have any specific incidence where God did put the enemy to flight? Or is this just wishful thinking? Let us examine the scriptures and see.

Power Belongeth Unto God

I am reminded of a perfect illustration where God did fight for His people when they realized that the battle was His. Exodus chapter fourteen is a dramatic, heart-throbbing chapter. God was leading Israel from Egypt to the Promised Land. The first obstacle encountered, after leaving Egypt and

Pharaoh, was the Red Sea. Now it is no accident that the Red Sea was first and not Marah or Rephidim, the place of refreshment. The Red Sea was first because here we see God teaching them lesson number one—the battle is His. Visualize if you can the awful predicament in Exodus 14:13-14. The sea before them, mountains to the side of them, and Pharaoh and his army behind them. When and where shall we go? What can we do? Mr. Hasty replies, "Do something quick!" Mr. Despair—"Let us die." Mr. Cowardice makes the suggestion "that we retreat and go home." But note what God commanded His people to do—"Stand still." This almost seems ridiculous. This was indeed a most trying time for all. Certainly God wanted them to start fighting the enemy or something. No, just "stand still." God was about to bring deliverance. The reason they were to stand still is recorded in verse fourteen—"The Lord shall fight for you." This is His battle to win or lose. What an inspiring hope!

Complete Surrender

As Christian workers we find the enemy just as real as in Nehemiah's day, but REMEMBER THE LORD. It is His work, His battle, and He will fight for us. Let us not get frantic and frustrated in our day when we see the attacks made on our Christ and His work. Let us REMEMBER THE LORD.

I startled and shocked my people some time ago by telling them that God never called me to win souls, or build a new church, or even edify the body of believers. When I entered the ministry I felt such was my duty, but the truth gripped me that such was not my task. My responsibility is to be God's channel or instrument through which He is able to work. If I am yielded and surrendered to Him and possessed by Him, He will win souls through me, edify the church and do a work that I would not believe possible. The hardest task



facing me is this business of being empty of pride, self and vain glory. Sunday morning, while the heads of my people are resting quietly on their pillows, I am having this tremendous task of emptying my life so that God can work through me. Just to be a channel through which He can work. My biggest battle is to stand behind my pulpit on Sunday morning and face the people as an empty vessel in God's hands to be used as He so desires.

I believe the New Testament gives us ample illustrations to prove this basic truth. Let us note just two. Paul was writing to the Colossian Church and in the first chapter he speaks of the indwelling Christ in our lives. Then in verse 29 we read, "Whereunto I also labour, striving according to *His* working, which worketh in me mightily." Note it was not Paul's mighty working, but the mighty working of Christ through Paul. Then in Acts 15:4 we have the first missionary conference at Jerusalem. Paul, Barnabas and certain brethren convened at this church for one purpose as recorded in verse four—"they declared all things that God had done with them." I appreciate the Williams translation which reads, "they declared all things that God had done through them as *His instruments*."

The Word of God abounds with sufficient evidence to verify the truth that it is not what we do for God, but what we allow Him to do through us as His chosen instruments. However there is one example from the realm of the physical which sheds light upon what we are considering. Physiologists tell us that a mother, while carrying a little life, can add nothing to the development of its body. She feeds the little life but is powerless in adding black wavy hair, blue eyes or dark eye brows. God forms the body and adds the soul. Physiologists state that the mother is just the *instrument* through which God brings the little life into the world. The same is true in the realm of the spiritual. We are never the cause of souls being saved or blessings brought to any church, we are just channels and instruments in God's hands. He does the work!

Now some of you Christian workers are saying that if I follow such logic to the ultimate end it will lead to slothfulness in our Lord's service. Quite the contrary my friend. Such a truth gives no license to laziness, instead it inspires hope. All of us gathered here at

Wellington Church Breaks Ground

About Two Hundred Present

\$1,000.00 Offering

Sunday, October 28, 1956, was a red letter day in the experience of The First Baptist Church, Wellington. It was the day to which the people had looked forward; the day when ground should be broken for the new house of worship.

For several years the church has owned a plot of ground, well located, and for several months the cash has been at hand for the major portion of expense, this derived from the sale of bonds, but difficulties were encountered in procuring plans for the exact type of building best suited to present and foreseeable needs. Finally, with contact made in a different direction, all hindrances were removed.

The Ceremonies

Early in the afternoon the people began to assemble at the site, the visitors including the following local pastors: Robert J. Reynhout, Verne L. Dunham, Elton C. Hukill, Adam A. Galt, Edward Helmick, Kenneth Nelson, Earle Har-

riman and Frank Odor. In the audience were seen visitors from New London, Lorain, Elyria, Amherst, La Grange, Ashland, Mansfield, Kipton, Spencer, Rochester and Brighton.

Following the song service and a few special numbers, Pastor Hukill read the Scripture, Rev. Galt offered prayer, Moderator Verne Dunham extended greetings on behalf of Hebron Association, and Mr. Reynhout, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Elyria, spoke for The Ohio Association of Regular Baptist Churches.

Dr. Howard G. Young, pastor of the church, also each deacon and trustee, turned over some earth. Mr. H. C. Wheeler, the contractor, explained many things related to the new building, his comments being of high interest to the enthusiastic audience. During the day the offering for the building fund was more than \$1,000.00. The house will be ready for dedication during the latter part of 1957.

this conference can rejoice to know that God is calling out a group of people for His name. Our duty is just to be His channel. What courage for Christian workers!

So if you are here at this conference and feel like retreating to rest or compromise for convenience sake—REMEMBER THE LORD. It is His work and battle. Here is victory in His service. Just let go and let God do His work through us. HIS BEST METHOD IS STILL A MAN!

I have been at the Blessed Hope Baptist Church for two years, and as I remember the blessings showered upon pastor and people, I just bow my head and cry, "O, God, what would thou have done had I been more yielded to thee?" Possibly all of us would have to make the same confession to Him.

As we bow in His presence for prayer might our prayer be that penned by Will H. Houghton, late president of the Moody Bible Institute—

"Love this world through me,
Lord, This world of broken men,
Thou didst love through death,
Lord, O love in me again;
Souls are in despair, Lord, O,
make me know and care,
When my life they see, May they behold Thee,
O, love the world through me,
through me, O, love the world through me."

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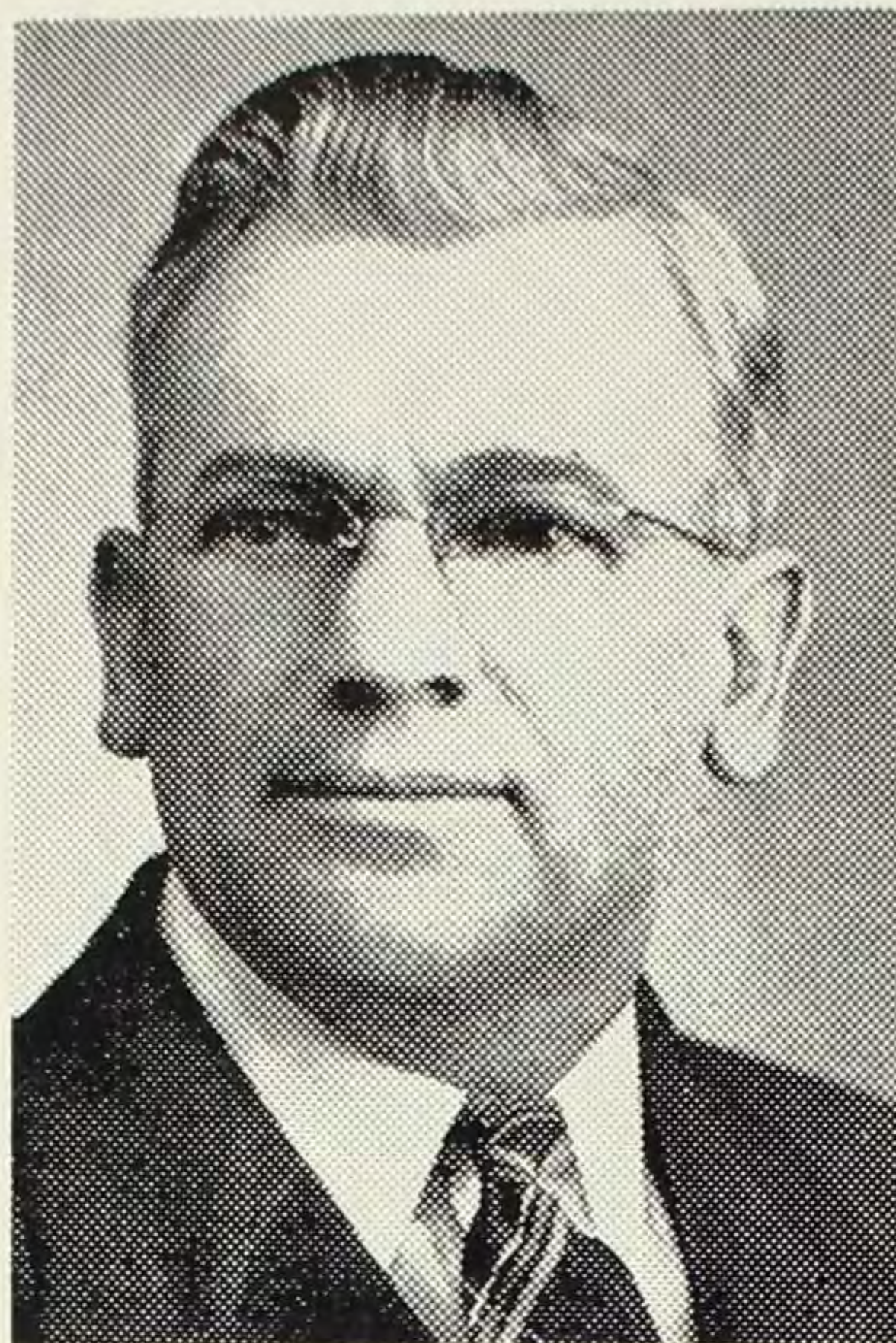
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TIFFIN CHURCH CALLS PASTOR

Calvary Baptist Church of Tiffin, Ohio, has called to the pulpit the Rev. G. H. Wiseman, a resident of Galion, Ohio. Sometime ago Pastor Wiseman retired from active ministry and with a wealth of experience he will be of high value to the work in Tiffin.

Mr. Wiseman, a native of West Virginia, procured his theological training at Northern Baptist Seminary, Chicago, and was ordained in the Messiole Baptist Church of that city, Dr. R. T. Ketcham being a member of the examining council. Before coming to Ohio the pastor served with churches of West Virginia and Illinois.

Pastor Wiseman is a chalk artist of ability and is popular with young people. We predict a happy relationship between the pastor and the fine people of Tiffin. The pulpit was recently vacated by the



G. H. Wiseman

Rev. John W. Martin who is entering evangelistic work.

ORDINATION AT PARMA

Answering the call of the First Baptist Church, Parma, Ohio, sixteen messengers assembled in the church auditorium, July 2, 1956, to confer with William Hollen, Jr., with ordination in view. Dr. Howard G. Young was selected to serve as moderator and Rev. Kenneth Nelson as clerk.

The candidate reported his conversion and call to the ministry and described his entry into the Practical Bible Training School at Binghamton, New York, following this with a very satisfactory report on his doctrinal beliefs. The council by unanimous vote recommended that the church proceed with the ordination.

On Monday, October 8, the formal ceremonies of ordination attracted many visitors to the Par-

NOTICE

This magazine does not recommend Peter Veranoff to the churches of Ohio Association.

This statement is in answer to inquiries recently received.

PASTOR ORDAINED AT CAMDEN

Twenty-eight messengers representing eighteen Regular Baptist Churches of Hebron Association assembled in the Camden Baptist Church, Kipton, Ohio, Friday afternoon, October 5, for conference with Mr. Earle C. Harriman, recently called pastor of the church, to determine the expediency of setting him apart unto the gospel ministry. Rev. Verne L. Dunham was selected to serve as moderator and Rev. Kenneth Nelson as clerk. The examination under standard headings was very satisfactory and the council recommended that the church proceed with the ceremony.

On Sunday afternoon, October 7, a large audience was present, with many pastors and representative people from nearby churches to witness the formal ordination. Mr. Donald Hooker, a deacon of the Camden Baptist Church, served as moderator, and introduced Dr. Howard G. Young who conducted the service of music, this followed by Rev. George Vernon Cosby of New London, who led in prayer. The audience appreciated the accordion solo by Miss Rosalyn Hooker, also a duet by Pastor and Mrs. Harriman. Dr. Paul R. Jackson, president of Baptist Bible Seminary, Johnson City, New York, delivered the ordination sermon, Rev. Edward Helmick, La Grange, gave charge to the church, Rev.

Adam A. Galt, Spencer, presented charge to the candidate, Rev. Verne L. Dunham, Lorain, extended the right hand of fellowship, and Rev. Donald H. Beightol offered the ordination prayer.

Mr. Harriman was called to the local church in December of 1955. He attended Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and Gordon College, Boston, being graduated from the last named institution in 1950, B.A. He later entered Baptist Bible Seminary and was graduated in 1955, Th.B. He has studied at Western Reserve University, Cleveland. Mrs. Harriman is also a graduate of Baptist Bible Seminary and Gordon College.

GIVE THANKS



ma church. The pastor, Rev. Elliott Horton, introduced Dr. Howard Young, who conducted the song service, special music being provided by a youth quartet, and the church clerk reported action by the church supporting the ordination. Rev. George R. Gibson gave charge to the church, Rev. Kenneth Nelson presented charge to the candidate, Rev. Elliott Horton made presentation of a Bible to the candidate, and Rev. Earl Lieby led in the ordination prayer. The ordination message was delivered by Mr. Scott Andrews, President of the Hebron Men's League.

The Rev. Hollen, Jr., will continue the work of establishing a Regular Baptist Church at Brunswick, Ohio. For several months the development has been in progress where Sunday School attendance is about sixty each week, and regular church services are being held.

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Miss Gladys Baines

PRESENTING MISS GLADYS BAINES

Mrs. Allan E. Lewis, chairman of the Women's Missionary Union of Ohio Association, wishes to present Miss Gladys Baines to all women of the affiliated churches, she having been the principal speaker at the annual meeting of women at the recent conference in Columbus, Ohio.

Miss Baines is well known to many people in Ohio, she having served for about seventeen years in the mountain regions of Kentucky. The missionary was recently appointed to a newly created office in the Mid-Missions organization, and carries the title—*Extension Director of the Women's Department*.

In this new work Miss Baines will be available for consultation in relation to Missionary problems and will be happy to advise procedure for strengthening the local work.

Those who wish to contact Miss Baines should address her at the office of Mid-Missions, 1120 Chester Avenue, Cleveland 14, Ohio.

GLOBAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

Large Audiences Attend Sessions in Medina

The First Baptist Church of Medina, of which Rev. R. Kenneth Smelser is pastor, enjoyed a Global Missionary Conference, November 4 to November 7, 1956, with large good attendance by members of the church and the surrounding area.

The following were listed as conference missionaries: Mr. and Mrs. Milton Rust, International Missions, Incorporated, India; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Spieth, Baptist Mid-Missions, Brazil; Florence Hagen, Cleveland Hebrew Mission, Cleveland; Glen Nunemaker, Christian Missions, Africa; Robert Parker,

South American Indian Mission, Brazil; William Scherer, Association Of Baptists For World Evangelism, Peru; Robert Ryerse, International Council of Christian Churches.

Throughout the conference Mr. Charles Newcomer, of the Medina church, was in charge of the musical programs, and Rev. Earl V. Willetts presented an expository message on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The missionary conference at Medina has become an annual event which is appreciated by the people.

THE SEAMAN'S PSALM

The Lord is my Pilot; I shall not drift. He lighteth me across the dark waters; He steereth me in the deep channels; He keepeth my log.

He guideth me by the star of holiness for His name's sake. Yea, though I sail 'mid the thunders and the tempests of life, I shall dread no danger; for Thou art near me; Thy love and Thy care, they shelter me.

Thou preparest a harbor before me in the homeland of eternity; Thou anointest the waters with oil; my ship rideth calmly.

Surely sunlight and starlight shall favor me on the voyage I take, and I will rest in the port of my God forever.

—Capt. J. Rogers

CHURCH SELLS PROPERTY

Will Occupy for One Year

The Calvary Baptist Church of Norwalk, Ohio, of which the Rev. Donald H. Beightol is the pastor, has sold the house of worship, also the parsonage, which is on the same property, and will move to a new location. Under the terms of sale, the church will occupy for not more than one year, when the land and buildings will become the property of the Salvation Army.

The present house of worship is well located; however, the structure is not adequate to accommodate the rapidly growing church and Sunday School. Pastor Beightol reports purchase of several acres of land in a developing section of

the little city, where ample parking space will be available and other advantages will be had. The church has made constant advance since the coming of Mr. Beightol and the new location and facilities will assure further progress.

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The Rev. David G. Canine, pastor, opened the afternoon service with the auditorium crowded with members and friends of the church. Rev. Herchell Culley led the invocation, Rev. Dale Cadman read the Scripture, Rev. Harry Cole extended the greetings of Ohio Association, Rev. Nile Fisher offered the dedicatory prayer, Evangelist Wes Auger delivered the dedica-

tory message, and Rev. Joseph Moody pronounced the benediction.

Pastor Canine entered service with the church at Blanchester in 1948, remaining until 1953. During that period 325 believers were baptized and entered into the fellowship of the church, this number in addition to many who were received by letter. In 1955 the church again extended to Mr. Canine a call, which was accepted, and since that time 125 have been added to the church, ninety coming by baptism.

The Addition

The present church was erected in 1889 and was remodeled in 1925, and now the congregation has added a large unit which will accommodate the ever-increasing audiences and attendance at Sunday School.

The Fellowship

The First Baptist Church of Blanchester withdrew from the Northern (American) Baptist Convention, and Clinton Baptist Association, in 1947 and united with Ohio Association of Regular Baptist Churches, also The General As-

sociation of Regular Baptist Churches, in which the pastor and people have joy and oneness of purpose.

The church carries a membership of almost 500, with Sunday School attendance of almost 400, and with the new edifice, rapid strides ahead are predicted.

Delegates to the annual meeting recently held in Columbus will recall the fine message presented by the pastor at the closing session.

The magazine extends to Rev. Canine and his spiritually energized people, hearty congratulations.

A TEACHER'S PRAYER

"Make of my heart an upper room, I pray,
Swept clean of pride; let self be but a door
Through which young lives may come to Thee this day
To know Thee as they have not known before.
Speak through my voice that they may hear Thine own;
Shine through my life in beauty and in truth,
That they may see the Comrade Christ alone,
And in the glad impulsiveness of youth
Rise up, as did those fisher-lads of Thine
Who left their boats and nets to follow Thee;
So may they walk beside Thee, these of mine
Whom out of all the world 'Thou gavest me.'"



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During the past month there have been many people who have sought help in one form or another. There have been problems concerning marriage, drunkenness, immorality, witnessing for Christ, money, and many other kinds of problems. Whenever men or women come into the office there is always opportunity, after trying to help them with their specific difficulty, to give them a New Testament, some tracts about Christ, and a word of encouragement to trust in the Savior who can solve every problem. Along with the neutral reaction of indifference to Christ, I have noticed this month the two extremes of hostility and acceptance.

The Reaction of Hostility. The first case illustrates the reaction of hostility to Christ in time of trouble. It concerns a girl who became pregnant by a Navy enlisted man in Norfolk, Virginia. She called me and asked if I could talk with her about a very important problem she had. I said that we did not usually leave the station on calls, but inasmuch as she had mentioned suicide, I said I would talk with her. After driving quite a distance in heavy traffic to another part of Miami, where she was taking care of children, I listened to her story and asked her in what way I could be of help. Her attitude was one of distrust, suspicion and resentment because of the trouble she had actually brought upon herself by her own sinful actions. After trying to help her with this problem, I asked her if she knew why Christ came into the world. She said, "Don't mention that Name to me. I don't want to talk about it." I asked, "Why?" She said, "I have my reasons."

I left a tract with her, told her I would try to help and made a rather welcomed retreat from a person whom I considered to be a rather confirmed "child of the Devil" (Acts 13:10). For the past month I have written letters for her, talked on the phone to her when she called almost daily, and in return, she often spoke in an insulting manner to me and at times swore while talking to me.

As of the time of writing, she has cursed out our legal officer, her lawyer, and her Chaplain, telling me to forget the whole matter. I said I would do as she requested and then again recommended Christ to her. She said, "Don't preach me a sermon," and then told me she intended to murder the Navy man because he wasn't going to marry her and then commit suicide. Oh the despondency of one in trouble who has rejected our Lord Jesus Christ!

The Reaction of Acceptance. The second case illustrates the reaction of acceptance of Christ in time of trouble and is quite in contrast to this other situation. It began with our Bible classes in the brig (our military jail) that we have been holding for the past four Wednesday evenings. We have been discussing Christ as the Good Shepherd, using John 10 as the basis. At the end of a class, one prisoner asked, "Do you mind if I come to the Bible classes? I am a Catholic." I said that he was welcome to come if he chose to do so. The next week he asked, "Why did Christ have to die on the cross for our sins?" I answered this question from the Scriptures as clearly as I could, and urged all present to believe individually that this Christ died for their sins and to receive eternal life and forgiveness.

A few days ago, this prisoner called me to the brig and told me he wanted to become a Baptist. I found out first if he was really trusting Christ as his Savior and after hearing his testimony I asked him why he picked the Baptists. He said he had been talking with other prisoners who were Baptists and he liked that group best. He told me he had been a very bad boy all through life, running away from school, deserting from the Marine Corps, escaping from the brig. Today he received a general court martial and will get from one to two years as a sentence. I got him a Scofield Reference Bible at his request. He has memorized Psalm 23, the order of the New Testament books, has read whole books of the New Testament, has stopped smoking and drinking, and



he told me he has no desire to escape but only to serve his Lord. What a difference the acceptance of Christ can make in time of trouble!

(The views expressed herein are personal and do not necessarily reflect those of the U. S. Navy.)

"THEY LOOKED UNTO HIM
AND WERE RADIANT"

Psalm 34:5, Am. R.

"How lovely are the faces of
The men who talk with God—
Lit with an inner sureness of
The path their feet have trod;
How gentle is the manner of
A man who walks with Him!
No strength can overcome him,
and
No cloud his courage dim.

"Keen are the hands and feet—
ah yes—
Of those who wait His will,
And clear as crystal mirrors, are
The hearts His love can fill.
Some lives are drear from doubt
and fear,
While others merely plod;
But lovely faces mark the men
Who walk and talk with God."

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Dedication in Cleveland

The new building erected by the Hayden Avenue Baptist Church, East Cleveland, Ohio, was formally dedicated on Sunday, September 21, 1956, three days of special meetings preceding the service of dedication.

Dr. Robert T. Ketcham was the principal speaker from Wednesday through Sunday and presented forceful, inspiring and timely messages.

Rev. Donald B. Woodby, the pastor, states that the structure costing approximately \$75,000.00, has seating capacity for 200 in the main auditorium and that in the Sunday School department about 300 can be accommodated. The work was begun in October of 1955 and was completed in October of 1956.

While the church is not affiliated with Ohio Association, the pastor and people cooperate in every possible way with the churches of the fellowship, in missionary support, Camp Patmos, and representation at all group meetings. Pastor Woodby was a valued staff member in the Sunday School Workshop at the recent annual meeting in Columbus.

WELLINGTON

Rally Day at the Sunday School of First Baptist Church, Wellington, was observed on September 30, when 198 persons were present, marking the highest attendance on record during the past five years.

The program designed and executed by Mrs. Mildred Babbitt and associates, was appreciated.

Rally Day opened a contest between the women and girls, opposing the men and boys. The school is using the Cross and Crown System.

The school under the competent direction of Superintendent Harold C. Heflinger is going forward.

DEAR READER . . .

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Bellefontaine	Calvary Baptist	820.50
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Galion	Fostoria Baptist	849.01
Gallipolis	First Baptist	638.00
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Lorain	East Side Baptist	768.50
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Toledo	Baptist Tabernacle	566.47
Troy	Emmanuel Baptist	1,489.40
Wauseon	Grace Baptist	243.00
	First Baptist	320.10

OCTOBER

Calvary Baptist Church, Cleveland	\$ 10.00
North Royalton Baptist Church—S.S.	10.00
Clintonville Baptist Church, Columbus	22.00
First Baptist Church, Elyria	79.96
Penn Avenue Baptist Church, Sharon	5.00
Village Baptist Church, Northfield	50.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Canton	33.48
Berea Baptist Church, Berea	20.00
Cedar Hill Baptist Church, Cleveland (Milner)	10.00
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Evansville Baptist Church, Niles	10.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Arcanum	10.00
First Baptist Church, Gallipolis	15.00
Hebron Association	23.00
Temple Baptist Church, Portsmouth	125.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo	37.50

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JAPAN CALLING

By NEWLAND and VERDA PFAFF

Higashi Koji, 25
Shiroishi Shi
Miyagi Ken, Japan



Newland Pfaff



Verda Pfaff

In a personal letter Mr. Pfaff says that this entry is a partnership affair, as—"Verda wrote the 'suicide for sin' and I wrote 'New Horizons.' " (Our readers will enjoy each contribution.)—Editor

SUICIDE FOR SIN

Many times as we have listened to the pitiful story of some young Japanese man or woman we have quailed inwardly as they confided, "I planned to commit suicide,—". They speak so calmly that we are shocked and horrified as we wonder about the reasons which permit them to hold life so lightly and accept death so stoically as a solution to every problem that, humanly speaking, seems insolvable.

Social Suicidal Pressures

In many cases young people faced with the overwhelming pressures of life in a social system which demands conformity to the narrow patterns of old outmoded customs when their desires and intellects demand freedom for progress, despair and say, "Better to die than submit or risk the ridicule of family and friends by breaking away." Sometimes the reason is discouragement, failure to pass examination or get a certain job. Oftentimes there is no clearly defined reason at all, merely a vague discontent and a feeling that perhaps there may be something better later on in the next life. In olden days many young lovers, forbidden to marry, sought happiness in a double suicide, hoping to marry in the next life, and its not unusual to hear of such instances even now.

School Girl Suicide

Not too long ago we learned of an instance in which a certain young girl was questioned by the police in connection with a series of petty thefts at her high school. She felt that the mere fact of being questioned cast shame upon her and when she found that many of her school mates and neighbors were whispering that she was probably guilty there seemed to be no recourse but to assert her innocence by the most effective method she knew—suicide! Then the gossips turned their tongues on the dead girl's personal friend and she decided that she could only clear herself and testify in her dear friend's behalf by joining her in death. Later as the police continued their investigations a third girl was questioned and she immediately took her own life rather than face the slanderous tongues.

Faithless Wives' Suicides

Another pitiful and tragic story comes of several women whose soldier husbands were captured during the war and who then began living with other men. When word came that the captives were being sent home the wives were distressed at being found out, and knowing that they couldn't deny their sins, took their own lives, and in some cases the lives of the children involved also.

These wretched examples make us even more acutely aware of the despair and utter hopelessness of those who do not know Him Who is our Sin-bearer.

NEW HORIZONS

By the time you read these lines Verda and I expect to be moved into Shiroishi (She-ro-e'she) City in Miyagi (Me-yah'ghe) Ken. Our Field Council believes that our work here is now sufficiently developed to warrant moving part of our missionaries into outlying strategic centers to develop new work. Verda and I have felt the urging of the Holy Spirit to enter this place for some time and with everything pointing to this fall as being the Lord's appointed time of entrance we began to make preparation to that end last September. We plan to move November 6.

Shiroishi City

North of Fukushima City nestled in the mountains like a gem held in the palm of the hand is this city of forty-two thousand people with no evangelical witness. There is a Catholic Church and a pre-war ultra-modernistic Kyodan Church and nothing more, and neither of these have resident missionaries. In fact we will be the only foreigners in the city. The city is located on the main line of the National Railway as well as on a national highway. It is well located for reaching a thickly populated surrounding area of smaller cities and towns hitherto unreached by any kind of gospel message.

House-Hunting

In a city of forty-two thousand in America you would expect to find a real-estate office to render assistance in finding a house to rent, but none could we find in Shiroishi! We went to the City Hall and explained our need to the officials and asked their help. We were assured there was no such thing as a house to rent in Shiroishi.

One lady office worker had a
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CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOME AND CAMP (Continued)

Bible Baptist Church, North Madison	9.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Norwalk	8.50
Trinity Baptist Church, Lorain	7.10
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Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo, HOME ONLY	25.00
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BOOK REVIEWS

THE STORY OF STEWARDSHIP

Dr. George A. Salstrand, professor of New Testament Interpretation and Evangelism, Tennessee Temple Schools, Chattanooga, Tennessee, in this new book gives us the history of Stewardship in The United States.

The historical sketch begins with affairs centered in the colonies and in tracing Stewardship, with emphasis upon the tithe, he presents much valuable historical data related to the major denominations. Not all will agree with the author in his suggested plan for organizing a Storehouse Tither's Association, but nevertheless, it's a worth-while volume.

The work carries 175 pages, attractively bound, and is priced at \$3.50 by Baker Book House, 1019 Wealthy Street, Grand Rapids 6, Michigan.

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Here we have another great book from the "Co-operative Reprint Library" of Baker Book House. Dr. David Thomas, the author was a famous preacher of the nineteenth century, serving with the English Congregationalist Church.

The exposition is verse by verse, homiletical in arrangement, and wide in its scope of comment. There is enlightening comment, with highly pertinent application. The pages will be found valuable to teachers and preachers. The book carries 490 pages of close print, priced at \$3.95.

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SHORT SKITS AND GAMES FOR WOMEN'S GROUPS

We find many books and booklets on the market setting forth games and skits for youngsters but this is something different—it's for women.

Here we have sixty or seventy games or skits which can be used with a minimum of preparation, with guarantee of maximum fun. The list provides for baby showers, bridal showers and general occasions. The emphasis seems to be on children and home life, which is a natural background for wholesome humor. Carolyn Howard is the author.

Zondervan—Grand Rapids—\$1.00

Any book favorably reviewed on this page may be secured from The Believers Bible & Book Co., 120 Park Avenue, Elyria, Ohio.

ELECTION AND . . .

This fifty-page booklet by DR. H. O. VAN GILDER provides a treatise on the age-old controversy surrounding ELECTION, which would seem to leave nothing more to be said. The author sets forth Election and the Historical controversy, and Election in full harmony with Scripture, Election and the Foreknowledge of God and the Righteousness of God. He also deals with Election and Predestination, the grace of God and the faith of man. In fact the doctrine is approached from many angles and the discussion is conclusive.

JAPAN CALLING

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suggestion of two upstairs rooms to rent, but it proved to be out in the country away and inadequate for our purposes of starting a work. We believed that the Lord had directed us to the city and that He would not do so unless He had a house for us. We requested the officials to look around for us and after one week we returned. They were surprised. Apparently they thought we would be discouraged and not return.

We waited another two weeks to give them time to inquire, and in addition we put an ad for a house in the local paper. This time when we returned one of the officials at the City Hall had waiting for us a little house in just the right section of the city, in fact it is in a down town residential area where it is next to impossible to rent at all. The house had already been vacated, and best of all the owner, a business man of some means, had completely reconditioned the place thinking of using it himself and then changed his mind. We are indeed praising the Lord for answered prayer. He does not thrust out without preparing the way in advance.

Babies Through the Fire

One morning as I sat with a language teacher cudgeling my brain

Those who are personally acquainted with Dr. Van Gilder know him to be a man of definite opinion and after reading this excellent work on this difficult theme one need no longer stand between two opinions asking questions.

Dunham Publishing Company, Findlay, Ohio—50 cents per copy.

PREPARATION AND PROMOTION OF A REVIVAL

Rev. Charles H. Morris, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Metropolis, Illinois, presents this book of suggestions for churches planning a revival. The booklet, in line with its title, confines its twelve chapters, covering fifty-five pages, to the preliminary work of a revival campaign.

Pastor Morris is successful in his own church, with an average of about 125 baptisms each year.

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into submission on new Japanese words and phrases the teacher introduced for the conversation period a most astounding story of a magazine article she had recently read. In a certain prefecture there is a little town that is called "Christian Mura," (Christian Town). It lays claim to having received Christianity many years ago, apparently no one in the town remembers when. Their claim to Christianity is not the New Birth, nor anything approaching it. They make no pretense of Christian ethics or standards, but rather distinguish themselves as Christian by several unique rituals.

When a baby is about eight days old it is "passed through the fire." That is, it is held for a short period of time over an open fire to drive out the devil. If the child dies as a result of the burns thus received it is said that the devil in it was too strong and killed it. If it lives it is said the devil was driven out. According to the article, as quoted by my language teacher, approximately two-percent of the babies die from the burns. "Through the fire to Molech!" A number of other strange rituals are practiced including burning a cross in the forehead of the child when he is older. It is my desire to someday visit this place and bring them the true gospel and bring you a first hand report, the Lord willing.